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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Kenji MIKAMI) : Examiner: Unassigned
Appln. No.: 10/765,398) : Group Art Unit: 2622
Filed: January 28, 2004) : Confirmation No.: 2551
For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS,) :
METHOD AND STORAGE MEDIUM : July 28, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
Post Office Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

STATUS INQUIRY

Sir:

Applicant filed the above-identified application on January 28, 2004.

To date, Applicant has not received an Official Action on the merits from the U.S.

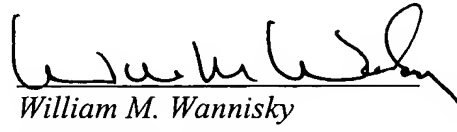
Patent and Trademark Office indicating that the case has been examined.

Applicant respectfully requests that an Official Action be issued in the application and/or that an Official Communication be issued advising when an action on the merits will be prepared.

Favorable consideration hereof is earnestly solicited.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'William M. Wannisky', written over a horizontal line.

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